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21 December 1955

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SSA/DD/S

SUBJECT : Reimbursement of Air Travel of Dependent wife  
of [redacted]

1. You have requested the opinion of this Office concerning authority for reimbursement of the cost of commercial air travel of the dependent wife of [redacted]

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2. The papers forwarded indicate that a Red Cross request concerning the serious illness of [redacted] father, who resides in Washington, D. C., requested [redacted] return to the United States since the prospects of the recovery of the father were uncertain. The file further indicates, at paragraph 8 of the memorandum of 11 October 1955 from Chief, FE, to DD/S:

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"According to existing regulations it was not possible to authorize [redacted] travel, as the travel of a dependent wife is predicated on her sponsor's travel. To be returned to the United States under the auspices of [redacted] parent service application would have to have been made through the Red Cross for transportation by military aircraft on a "space available" basis. Due to the emergency of the situation [redacted] traveled to Washington, D. C. by first available commercial means and subsequently returned to the [redacted] at her own expense."

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3. Although reimbursement for an Agency employee could be accomplished at such time as the employee himself traveled on home leave, such is not possible for a military detail. As indicated above, travel of the dependent is predicated on travel of the sponsor and could only be accomplished at Government expense through the military on a "space available" basis.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of General Counsel

ATTENTION : [REDACTED] 25X1A9A

SUBJECT : Reimbursement of Air Travel of Dependent  
Wife of [REDACTED] 25X1A9A

It is requested that this office be advised if there is any legal manner in which this claim may be paid since it appears that it was due to operational necessity that he was unable to avail himself of normal home leave privileges.

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Attachment